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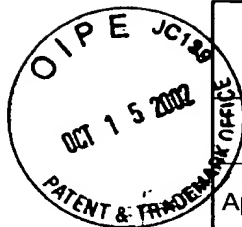
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Invention: PASSIVATION OF SIDEWALLS OF A WORD LINE STACK

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2002 (Paper No. 14), please
amend the above-identified U.S. Patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please rewrite claim 25 as follows:

25. An integrated circuit comprising:

a semiconductor substrate;

a gate dielectric film disposed on a surface of the substrate;

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